

ORDINANCE NO. 09-333

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
AMENDING CHAPTER 13.20 OF THE LOS ALTOS MUNICIPAL CODE TO
ESTABLISH MINIMUM CUL-DE-SAC PUBLIC STREET WIDTHS, AND TO
PROHIBIT THE USE OF PRIVATE CUL-DE-SAC STREETS FOR ALL NEW
SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS**

The City Council of the City of Los Altos does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE: Subsection D of section 13.20.010 of Chapter 13.20 of the Municipal Code shall hereby be replaced with the following:

D. Street Width.

1. Public streets and thoroughfares shall not be of less widths than those set forth in this subsection, except where it can be shown by the subdivider, to the satisfaction of the planning commission, that the topography or the small number of lots served and the probable future traffic development are such as to unquestionably justify narrower widths. Increased widths may be required where streets are to serve a commercial property, or where probable traffic conditions warrant such increased widths.

i. Major thoroughfares: Rights-of-way of ninety (90) feet to one hundred twenty (120) feet wide;

ii. Major streets: Right-of-way of sixty (60) feet to ninety (90) feet wide;

iii. Minor streets: Rights-of-way of forty (40) feet to sixty (60) feet wide;

iiii. Cul-de-sac streets, short residential streets, and service roads when not over 400 feet in length: Rights-of-way of forty (40) feet wide and a minimum paved width of twenty eight (28) feet as measured to the face of a vertical curb, or to the inside edge of a rolled curb.

iv. Cul-de-sac street turnaround: Rights-of-way radius of forty (40) feet wide and a minimum paved width radius of thirty six (36) feet as measured to the face of a vertical curb, or to the inside edge of a rolled curb.

2. Private streets are prohibited, with the exception of access roads serving multiple-family residential, planned unit development, mixed-use residential/commercial, or other similar projects. Private streets shall provide a minimum paved width of twenty (20) feet as measured to the face of a vertical curb, or to the inside edge of a rolled curb.

SECTION 2. CONSTITUTIONALITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this code is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this code.

SECTION 3. ENVIRONMENTAL. Whereas, the ordinance amendments set forth below have been reviewed and considered by the City Council in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and the guidelines promulgated thereunder and, further, said Council finds that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that said amendments may have a significant effect on the environment and said amendments are therefore exempt from the requirements of the CEQA pursuant to the provisions of Section 15061(b)(3) of Division 6 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective upon the commencement of the thirty-first day following the date the adopted ordinance is attested by the City Clerk.

The above and foregoing ordinance was duly and properly introduced at a regular meeting of the Los Altos City Council held on the 13th day of January 2009 and was thereafter at a regular meeting of the Los Altos City Council held on the 27th day of January 2009.

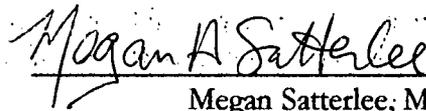
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote:

AYES: PACKARD, CARPENTER, CASAS, BECKER, SATTERLEE

NOES: NONE

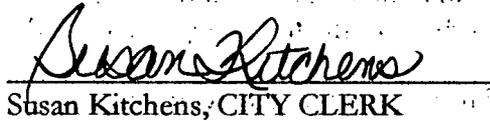
ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE


Megan A Satterlee

Megan Satterlee, MAYOR

Attest:


Susan Kitchens, CITY CLERK

Date: January 30, 2009